

MINUTES
STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY AND JUNIOR COLLEGES
OCTOBER 17, 1991

The regular meeting of the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges was held at 1:30 p.m., Thursday, October 17, 1991, in Room 507, Paul B. Johnson Building, 3825 Ridgewood Road, Jackson, Mississippi. Members present were: Alton Bankston, Paul Breazeale, Bob Breeden, Jeannet Boston, Lanny Monroe, Nell Rogers, and Perrin Purvis. Members absent were: Amos Bridges and Dr. Barbara Ricks.

Staff in attendance: Dr. Olon Ray, Executive Director, Bill Bunch, Dr. Larry Day, Deborah Gilbert, Carolyn Shorter, and Frankie Walton White.

Guests in attendance: Dr. Ted Alexander, Dr. Howell Garner, Denton Gibbs, Cathy Hayden, Tony Honeycutt, Mark Leggett, Art Nabor, Donna Meeler, Dr. Michael Rabalais, and Beth Williams.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Lanny Monroe, presiding officer.

PRELIMINARIES

The invocation was given by Perrin Purvis.

Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Alton Bankston, seconded by Paul Breazeale, the Board approved the minutes of the September 19, 1991 Board meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Review of Agenda

On a motion by Perrin Purvis, seconded by Nell Rogers, the Board amended the agenda to combine the Planning and Ad Hoc Committee Reports. Motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Executive Director's report included the following matters:

01. Reported on a trip to Oregon which was for the purpose of reviewing legislation recently enacted in that state. The Mississippi Public Education Forum, a support organization for the betterment of education, financed the trip. Dr. Olon Ray, Dr. Barbara Ricks, Bob Breeden, and representatives of the State Board of Education/State Department of Education and State Institutions of Higher Learning comprised the

educational team which made the trip. Dr. Ray reported that he visited an advance technology center and met with Oregon community college staff members.

The Executive Director commented on several focal points of the Oregon educational system.

02. As a followup to a recent meeting of the Board and a SACS representative, Dr. Ray recommended that the Board consider the development of standards and the role of the Southern Association of Colleges in the process. Dr. Ray also recommended that the Board avoid the creation of two different processes for community colleges to follow.

REPORTS/ACTION

Mississippi Association of Community/Junior Colleges

Dr. Howell Garner reported on the following actions of the Association on September 24.

01. Approved the participation in a doctoral research to be conducted by Mr. Eddie Davis of East Mississippi Community College.
02. Endorsed a position paper on community college governance and a presentation of the draft to the Clarion-Ledger editorial staff.
03. Directed a study on educational requirements of instructors in the associate degree nursing programs.
04. Dr. Olon Ray reported on actions and activities of the Board. The report included the announcement of a 25% increase in academic enrollments in community colleges over the last three years and a 24.5% decrease in athletic scholarships for 1992.
05. Dr. Clyde Muse reported on impending MACJC legislative meetings in community/junior college districts.
06. The Association recommended that the Athletic Directors' Executive Committee prepare a proposal for better crowd control at athletic events.
07. Voted to have their next regular monthly meeting on October 29, 1991, at 1:00 p.m. at the conclusion of the Junior-Senior College Conference.
08. Dr. David Haraway provided information about the Junior-Senior College Conference to be held on October 27-29, at Northwest.

09. The Association voted down the provisions of an athletic waiver policy which was previously tabled.

Standing Committee: Finance

01. Based on the recommendation of the Finance Committee, and a motion by Jeannet Boston, seconded by Bob Breeden, the Board approved the disbursements from Fund 2292 in November for \$4,883,822 and in December for \$4,883,819. (Attachment 1). Motion carried unanimously.
02. The Finance Committee received a report on financial matters at Coahoma and Northwest.

Based on the questions and responses from Northwest, the Finance Committee was pleased that Northwest had taken the steps necessary to assure a stable financial situation. The Finance Committee recommended that the Board take no action regarding Northwest.

On a motion by Jeannet Boston, seconded by Bob Breeden, the Board approved the following recommendations of the Executive Director concerning Coahoma Community College:

1. Coahoma Community College be requested to present a plan which will result in a balanced budget for FY 92. This plan must be approved by the Coahoma Community College Board and must reflect specific cost projections related to proposed reductions and expenditures and proposed revenue enhancements. This plan must be presented at the November meeting of the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges.
2. The President of Coahoma Community College and the Board President or other designated board member be requested to report on a monthly basis to the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges on the financial status of Coahoma Community College and the progress made toward implementation of the financial plan.
3. The Legislature be requested by the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges to create an appropriate financial basis for the Coahoma Community College District which would assure a long term solution to this continuous problem.

Motion carried unanimously.

Standing Committee: Planning

01. Based on a recommendation of the Planning Committee and on a motion by Nell Rogers, seconded by Jeannet Boston, the Board authorized the Board chairman to appoint a working committee comprised of three Board members, three presidents, the president of the Community/Junior College Trustees' Association, and Dr. Olon Ray, and authorized the committee to followup on dialogue which developed at the Mini Retreat on September 18. Motion carried unanimously.
02. Based on a recommendation of the Executive Director and on a motion by Nell Rogers, seconded by Bob Breeden, the Board changed the December Board meeting from December 19 to December 12 in order to accept an invitation from NASA officials to meet at Stennis Space Center in Hancock County. Motion carried unanimously.
03. Nell Rogers reported that the Ad Hoc Committee on Policy and Procedures had received several comments and very useful recommendations on the draft of the policy manual. The committee is in the process of establishing a meeting date. The recommendations will be reviewed with Board staff and the the committee will consider the recommendations and return to the staff for revision and draft and consideration of the full Board.
04. Dr. Ted Alexander provided the following information about plans for November Board meeting:

Accommodations have been made at the Ramada Inn in Hattiesburg for November 20. Dr. Alexander informed the Board of the following tentative schedule:

November 20

4:30 p.m. Arrival - Ramada Inn, Hattiesburg
6:00 p.m. Cookout (Casual Dress).
Site to be announced.

November 21

8:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast
PRCC Allied Health Facility
9:45 a.m. Depart Hattiesburg
Upon arrival at PRCC Campus, Poplarville,
visit a new technology center. (Committee
meetings can be held in this facility).
12:00 Noon LUNCH (Site to be announced).
1:30 p.m. Board Meeting

Standing Committee: Legislative

Bob Breeden distributed a schedule for impending MACJC legislative meetings and encouraged all Board members to attend at least some of the meetings.

EdNet Report

Paul Breazeale informed the Board that the EdNet Board had not met since the last Board meeting. Mr. Breazeale reported that an up-to-date briefing by the EdNet executive director and attorney was scheduled for Wednesday, October 30, at 9:30 a.m., and invited everyone to attend. He encouraged all Board members to attend the next EdNet Board meeting.

Travel Authorization

Based on the recommendation of the Executive Director, and on a motion by Jeannet Boston, seconded by Nell Rogers, the Board approved travel reimbursement to Paul Breazeale, Bob Breeden, Amos Bridges, and Perrin Purvis, of a Joint Legislative Budget Committee meeting on September 24. Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Mike Rabalais' Lamplighter Report

Dr. Mike Rabalais provided information about the Academic Deans' Lamplighter project. He entitled his presentation "Let's Stop Keeping the Secret About Excellence in Mississippi's Community and Junior Colleges." Dr. Rabalais covered the following points in his presentation: 1) What are effective community college teachers? Where do they come from and what makes them excellent? 2) What do community colleges do to help instructors to become better? 3) Described a typical Lamplighter project, and 4) Answered questions and received comments from Board members.

Presentation on Uniform Course Numbering System

The presenter for this item was absent.

Articulation Agreement Between the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning and the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges

Dr. Howell Garner informed the Board of a completed document of an Articulation Agreement. He reported that the purpose of the document was to establish uniformity for community colleges students transferring to universities. For better understanding of the document, Dr. Garner read the following document introduction:

The articulation agreement contains 166 programs of courses appropriate for transfer for community college students who attend Mississippi's eight public universities. At the bottom of each program are listed all of those universities which offer a baccalaureate degree in that particular area of study. Each university will accept courses as listed on the particular transfer program without loss of credit toward the conclusion of the four-year degree. It is intended that this articulation agreement be a minimum program transfer for all students moving from the community college to the university system - acting as a "safety net for transfer students. It is not intended that this agreement replace any individual articulation agreement between a particular community college and a university which would allow additional courses to transfer into a specific program of study.

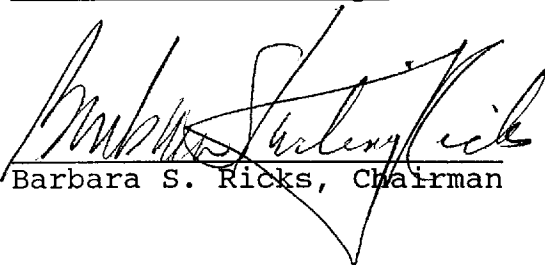
After a discussion on recognizing the people who worked on the articulation agreement, and on a motion by Perrin Purvis, seconded by Nell Rogers, the Board directed the Executive Director to draft an appropriate resolution and present the draft at the November Board meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS

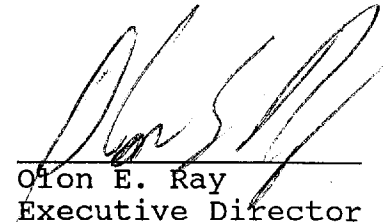
The Board meeting concluded with Board members offering favorable and positive comments about Mississippi's community colleges.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Jeannet Boston, seconded by Nell Rogers, the Board voted to adjourn the meeting at approximately 2:40 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.



Barbara S. Ricks, Chairman



Orion E. Ray
Executive Director